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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

## **Bureau of Indian Affairs**

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Advisory Board for Exceptional Children

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) is announcing a public meeting of the Advisory Board for Exceptional Children in order to meet the mandates of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA) for Indian children with disabilities.

**DATES:** The Advisory Board will hold an orientation session for member only on Wednesday, July 25, 2018 from 8:30 am to 11:30 am Mountain Time. The public meeting of the Advisory Board meeting will start Wednesday, July 25, 2018 from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm. On Thursday, July 26, 2018 and Friday, July 27, 2018 all Advisory Board members will meet in-session from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mountain Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the 1011 Indian School Rd NW, Large Conference Room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor in Albuquerque, NM 87104; telephone number (480) 777-7986.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer Davis, Designated Federal Officer, Bureau of Indian Education, 2600 N. Central Ave. Suite 800, Phoenix, Arizona 85004, telephone number (480) 777-7986.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Advisory Board was established under the Individuals with Disabilities Act of 2004 (20 U.S.C. 1400 *et seq.*) to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs, on the needs of Indian children with disabilities. The meetings are open to the public.

The following items will be on the agenda:

- Introduction of Advisory Board members
- Report from Tony Dearman, Director, BIE Director's Office
- Report from Dr. Jeffrey Hamley Associate Deputy Director, BIE, Division of Performance and Accountability (DPA)
- Report from Donald Griffin, Supervisory Education Specialist, BIE, DPA/Special
  Education
- Board work on Priorities for 2018
- Public Comment (via conference call, Friday, July 27, 2018 meeting only\*).
- BIE Advisory Board Advice and Recommendations
  - \*During the July 27, 2018, meeting, time has been set aside for public comment via conference call from 11:30 12:00 p.m. Mountain Time. The call-in information is: Conference Number 1-888-417-0376, Passcode 1509140.

Interested members of the public may submit relevant information or questions for the Board to consider during the public meeting. Written statements received in advance of the meeting will

be made available to the Council for their consideration. Before including your address, phone

number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should

be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be

made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your

personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to

do so. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement during the time reserved for public

comment should contact the DFO (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) before

the meeting.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. Appendix 5; 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.

Dated: July 5, 2018.

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Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

Exercising the Authority of the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs.

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